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IMPLICATIONS OF PADS SET IN PERSPECTIVE

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THE IMPACT OF THE PORT AND AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (PADS) ON THE COMMUNITY IS BOTH GREATER AND SMALLER THAN THE PRICE TAG OF \$127 BILLION WOULD INDICATE, THE SECRETARY FOR THE TREASURY. MR HAMISH MACLEOD, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SPEAKING AT A LUNCHEON MEETING OF THE GERMAN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, MR MACLEOD SAID THAT BY THIS PARADOXICAL STATEMENT, HE WANTED TO UNDERLINE TWO ASPECTS OF THE FINANCING OF THIS MAMMOTH PROJECT.

"ON THE ONE HAND, THESE ARE BROAD ORDERS OF COST, AT 1989 PRICES; AND IT IS IN THE NATURE OF THESE THINGS THAT WHEN DETAILED PLANNING AND COSTING IS DONE, THEY WILL GO UP," HE SAID.

ON THE OTHER HAND, MR MACLEOD SAID, IT WAS IMPORTANT TO RECOGNISE A NUMBER OF CONSIDERATIONS IN ASSESSING HOW HEAVY A BURDEN PADS MIGHT BE ON THE GOVERNMENT AND THE TAXPAYER.

HE SAID ONE OF THESE CONSIDERATIONS TO BEAR IN MIND WAS THAT THE EXPENDITURE IS SPREAD OVER 10 YEARS OR MORE, AND ALTHOUGH THE AIRPORT AND ASSOCIATED TRANSPORT LINKS HAD TO BE IN PLACE BY 1997, THERE WAS SCOPE FOR PHASING THE PORT WORKS IN THE LIGHT OF DEMAND AND CASH FLOW.

ANOTHER CONSIDERATION WAS THE SCOPE FOR 40 PER CENT TO 60 PER CENT OF THESE COSTS TO BE BORNE BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR, HE ADDED.

"THE FINAL DECISIONS ON FUNDING THESE PROJECTS WILL NOT BE TAKEN FOR A YEAR OR SO, WHEN DETAILED COSTINGS WILL BE AVAILABLE.

"BUT WE KNOW ALREADY THAT ITEMS LIKE TENANT FACILITIES AT THE AIRPORT, THE BRIDGE TO NORTH LANTAU, THE CONTAINER TERMINALS, WILL BY VIRTUE OF THE REVENUE THEY PRODUCE BE ATTRACTIVE TO PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTORS.

"THE RAILWAY AND THE AIRPORT WILL BE FUNDED VERY MUCH ON THE SAME LINES AS THE MTRC -- A MIXTURE OF GOVERNMENT EQUITY AND BORROWING," HE SAID.

IT SHOULD ALSO BE REMEMBERED THAT IN THE LONGER TERM THERE WERE SOME REVENUE SPIN-OFFS FROM THESE PROJECTS, HE SAID, RECALLING THAT AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE ANNOUNCING THE DECISION TO CHOOSE CHEK LAP KOK, A "BACK OF THE ENVELOPE" ESTIMATE WAS MADE THAT REDEVELOPMENT OF KAI TAK ALONE MIGHT RAISE ABOUT \$20 BILLION IN LAND REVENUE.

"THE POSSIBLE LIFTING OF HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS IN PARTS OF KOWLOON COULD ALSO HAVE USEFUL REVENUE IMPLICATIONS," HE ADDED.

MR MACLEOD POINTED OUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD ALSO BE ABLE TO DRAW TO SOME EXTENT ON ITS RESERVES AND INDEED IN THE LAST BUDGET AN INITIAL SUM OF \$7 BILLION WAS SET ASIDE FOR THIS PURPOSE.

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"HOWEVER, WE MUST ENSURE THAT WE REMAIN ATTRACTIVE TO INVESTORS, AND TO DO SO WE WILL NEED TO ENSURE THAT OUR OWN FINANCIAL POSITION -- INCLUDING OUR RESERVES -- REMAINS STRONG," HE STRESSED.

THEREFORE, MR MACLEOD SAID HE DID NOT WANT TO UNDERPLAY THE IMPORTANCE OF THESE PROJECTS IN AFFECTING HONG KONG'S CASH FLOW DURING THE 1990'S.

"AS THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY SAID IN HIS SPEECH TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN THE DEBATE ON THE GOVERNOR'S POLICY ADDRESS, THERE WILL BE EVEN MORE NEED FOR FINANCIAL DISCIPLINE, FOR VIGOROUS CONTROL OVER PUBLIC EXPENDITURE, AND FOR RESTRAINT IN PROVIDING RESOURCES FOR OTHER DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

"TO THIS END WE ARE CURRENTLY STRESSING THE NEED TO 'ATTACK THE BASELINE' OR IN OTHER WORDS LOOK CRITICALLY AT EXISTING EXPENDITURE," HE SAID, NOTING THAT TIGHTER CONTROLS ON THE GROWTH OF THE CIVIL SERVICE HAD BEEN INTRODUCED.

"ALL THIS WE HOPE WILL HELP AN ALREADY EFFICIENT CIVIL SERVICE TO BECOME EVEN MORE CONSCIOUS OF PRODUCTIVITY AND VALUE FOR MONEY AND OF THE NEED TO KEEP PRIORITIES UNDER REVIEW," HE SAID.

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NEW CHALLENGES FOR VTC

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THE SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION AND MANPOWER, MR K.Y. YEUNG, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY) THE FUTURE HOLDS NEW CHALLENGES FOR THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL (VTC).

HE WAS SPEAKING AT THE TOPPING-OUT CEREMONY OF THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING COUNCIL TOWER IN WAN CHAI.

"FIRST, AS AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT OF THE GOVERNMENT'S PLANS FOR EXPANDING TERTIARY EDUCATION, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE VTC TAKING OVER AS MANY SUB-DEGREE COURSES AND PLACES AS POSSIBLE FROM THE TWO POLYTECHNICS," MR YEUNG SAID.

THE SECRETARY SAID HE WAS CONFIDENT THE VTC COULD DO THIS, AND HE WAS ENCOURAGED THAT THE VTC WOULD REACH ITS OBJECTIVES ON TIME.

HE GAVE ASSURANCE THAT ADDITIONAL RESOURCES WOULD BE PROVIDED, IN TERMS OF BOTH SUITABLE SITES FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND OF ADDITIONAL CAPITAL AND RECURRENT SUBVENTIONS.

"SECONDLY, WE HAVE HIGH HOPES OF THE VTC BEING ABLE TO LEAD OUR VOCATIONAL TRAINING MECHANISMS INTO THE NEXT CENTURY, PARTICULARLY IN THE TRAINING AND RE-TRAINING OF OUR TECHNOLOGIST LEVEL MANPOWER IN USEFUL NEW TECHNOLOGIES.

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"THIS FIELD OF ACTIVITY IS NEW FOR BOTH THE VTC AND THE GOVERNMENT, AS IT WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY INVOLVE NON-CONVENTIONAL METHODS OF TRAINING.

"I AM GLAD TO KNOW THAT THE VTC IS WILLING AND ABLE TO TAKE UP THIS CHALLENGE, AND I AM CONFIDENT THAT IT WILL DO SO WITH VIGOUR AND IMAGINATION," HE SAID.

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UNEMPLOYMENT, UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS FOR AUG-OCT
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BOTH THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AND THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE REMAINED STABLE AT A LOW LEVEL DURING THE PERIOD AUGUST - OCTOBER 1989, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS RELEASED TODAY (THURSDAY) BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THESE FIGURES INDICATE THAT THE LABOUR MARKET WAS STILL TIGHT.

THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR AUGUST - OCTOBER 1989 WAS 1.4 PER CENT, COMPARED WITH 1.2 PER CENT FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JULY 1989 AND 1.5 PER CENT FOR THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR EARLIER.

THE INCREASE OF 0.2 OF A PERCENTAGE POINT OVER THE PRECEDING THREE-MONTH PERIOD AND THE DECREASE OF 0.1 OF A PERCENTAGE POINT BELOW THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD A YEAR EARLIER ARE BOTH STATISTICALLY NOT SIGNIFICANT.

THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS IN AUGUST - OCTOBER 1989 WAS ESTIMATED AT 37,600, COMPARED WITH 34,100 FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JULY 1989 AND 41,100 FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING OCTOBER 1988.

THE UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE FOR AUGUST - OCTOBER 1989 WAS 0.6 PER CENT, WHICH WAS LOWER THAN 0.7 PER CENT FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JULY 1989 BUT WAS THE SAME AS THAT FOR THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF 1988.

THE DECREASE OF 0.1 OF A PERCENTAGE POINT BELOW THE PRECEDING THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS STATISTICALLY NOT SIGNIFICANT.

THE ESTIMATED NUMBER OF UNDEREMPLOYED PERSONS FOR AUGUST - OCTOBER 1989 WAS 17,800, COMPARED WITH 19,200 FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING JULY 1989 AND 17,000 FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDING OCTOBER 1988.

CONSISTENT WITH THE CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION (ILO), PERSONS WHO WORKED LESS THAN 35 HOURS A WEEK DUE TO ECONOMIC REASONS (SUCH AS SLACK WORK, MATERIAL SHORTAGE, MECHANICAL BREAKDOWN AND INABILITY TO FIND FULL-TIME WORK) WERE REGARDED AS UNDEREMPLOYED ONLY IF THEY WERE EITHER SEEKING OR AVAILABLE FOR MORE WORK.

COMMENTING ON THESE FIGURES, THE COMMISSIONER FOR CENSUS AND STATISTICS SAID THAT BECAUSE THE PROPORTION OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS (FOR EXAMPLE PEOPLE WHO HAVE JUST LEFT SCHOOL) VARIES FROM MONTH TO MONTH, UNEMPLOYMENT RATES THAT HAD BEEN SEASONALLY ADJUSTED TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER OF FIRST-TIME JOB-SEEKERS SHOULD BE USED IN MAKING COMPARISONS OVER TIME.

THE COMMISSIONER ADDED THAT, BASED ON A SYSTEM OF PROVISIONAL COUNTS, THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATES COVERING THE LATEST THREE-MONTH PERIOD COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE WITHIN TWO WEEKS AFTER THE SURVEY. THESE PROVIDE AN EARLY INDICATION OF THE LATEST UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT SITUATION.

THE PROVISIONAL SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE FOR SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 1989 WAS 1.3 PER CENT AND THE PROVISIONAL UNDEREMPLOYMENT RATE WAS 0.8 PER CENT.

THE UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT STATISTICS WERE OBTAINED FROM A CONTINUOUS GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE CENSUS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT.

THIS SURVEY COVERED A QUARTERLY SAMPLE OF SOME 14,000 HOUSEHOLDS OR 52,000 PERSONS, SELECTED SCIENTIFICALLY TO REPRESENT THE LAND-BASED CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION IN HONG KONG.

PERSONAL AND LABOUR FORCE DATA WERE OBTAINED IN THE SURVEY BY INTERVIEWING EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER AGED 15 AND ABOVE IN THE HOUSEHOLDS SAMPLED.

IN THE SURVEY, THE DEFINITIONS USED IN MEASURING UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDEREMPLOYMENT FOLLOW CLOSELY THOSE RECOMMENDED BY THE ILO.

DETAILED ANALYSIS OF LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS IS GIVEN IN THE REPORT ON THE GENERAL HOUSEHOLD SURVEY WHICH IS PUBLISHED FOUR TIMES A YEAR.

THE NEXT REPORT COVERING THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 1989 WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM THE GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS CENTRE, GROUND FLOOR, GPO BUILDING, CONNAUGHT PLACE, CENTRAL AROUND DECEMBER 20 AT \$10 PER COPY.

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PSDB TO HOLD SEMINARS FOR SPORTS EXECUTIVES

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THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS TO INTRODUCE THE WORK AND FUNCTIONS OF THE RECENTLY ESTABLISHED PROVISIONAL SPORTS DEVELOPMENT BOARD (PSDB) WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY (DECEMBER 19) AT THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S TRAINING SCHOOL AT OI KWAN ROAD, WAN CHAI.

ALL ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARIES, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS WHO ARE WORKING IN VARIOUS SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS SUBVENTED BY THE BOARD HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND.

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"THE BOARD IS TAKING THE INITIATIVE TO MEET LOCAL SPORTS EXECUTIVES TO EXCHANGE VIEWS WITH THEM AND TO PROMOTE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING," THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MR HOWARD WELLS, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

"MORE SEMINARS ARE BEING PLANNED AND WILL BE HELD REGULARLY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AFTER THE LUNAR NEW YEAR," HE SAID.

MR WELLS SAID SINCE THE PSDB WAS FORMALLY ESTABLISHED LAST MONTH, IT HAD HELD MEETINGS WITH MORE THAN 40 LOCAL SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS.

"MEETINGS WITH OTHER ASSOCIATIONS WILL BE HELD SHORTLY," HE SAID.

THE PSDB SECRETARIAT IS NOW HEADED BY MR WELLS, WHO IS ASSISTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, MR DAVID MAK, ON THE SPORT DEVELOPMENT SIDE; AND THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES, MR ALFRED WONG, ON THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION SIDE.

"IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE SMOOTH OPERATION OF THE SECRETARIAT, WE ARE NOW RECRUITING KEY STAFF FROM THE OPEN MARKET. THIS INCLUDES THE EMPLOYMENT OF A DIRECTOR OF MARKETING SERVICES, AND THE BOARD'S SECRETARY AND AN ACCOUNTANT," MR WELLS SAID.

"ADDITIONAL STAFF WILL BE RECRUITED IN FUTURE ON A NEED BASIS," HE ADDED.

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TRANSPORT COMMISSIONER TOURS WONG TAI SIN

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THE COMMISSIONER FOR TRANSPORT, MR GORDON SIU, ACCOMPANIED BY MEMBERS OF THE WONG TAI SIN DISTRICT BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE, TODAY (THURSDAY) INSPECTED THE DISTRICT'S TRAFFIC SITUATION.

THE PARTY SAW THE VARIOUS PUBLIC TRANSPORT FACILITIES IN THE DISTRICT AND THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS IN SAN PO KONG, CLEARWATER BAY ROAD, FUNG WONG NEW VILLAGE, SHA TIN PASS ROAD, CHUK YUEN ROAD, CHING TAK STREET AND TUNG LUNG ROAD.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, MR YEUNG CHIU-MING, SAID MEMBERS AND THE COMMISSIONER EXCHANGED VIEWS ON WAYS TO IMPROVE THE DISTRICT'S TRAFFIC CONDITIONS.

ALSO ON THE TOUR WERE THE DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, DR MICHAEL LEE, AND DISTRICT OFFICER, MR BRIAN LAU.

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APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT AS RECOGNISED DEALER

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NEARLY 70 APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT AS RECOGNISED DEALER IN EXCHANGE FUND BILLS HAVE ALREADY BEEN RECEIVED, THE SECRETARY FOR MONETARY AFFAIRS, MR DAVID NENDICK, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

"THIS IS A VERY ENCOURAGING RATE OF RESPONSE," HE SAID. "IT IS ONLY TWO WEEKS SINCE WE ISSUED THE INVITATIONS TO APPLY."

ABOUT HALF OF THE APPLICATIONS SO FAR RECEIVED HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN BEING INVITED TO ACCEPT APPOINTMENT AS MARKET MAKER AS WELL AS RECOGNISED DEALER, HE SAID.

THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY INDICATED IN A SPEECH TO THE HONG KONG CAPITAL MARKETS ASSOCIATION IN AUGUST THAT IT WAS UNLIKELY THAT MORE THAN ABOUT 20 MARKET MAKERS WOULD BE APPOINTED.

"IT IS PROBABLE, THEREFORE, THAT SOME WOULD-BE MARKET MAKERS WILL FACE DISAPPOINTMENT," MR NENDICK SAID.

"THERE IS, HOWEVER, NO LIMIT ON THE NUMBER OF RECOGNISED DEALERS," HE ADDED.

MR NENDICK URGED ANY FURTHER INSTITUTIONS HAVING AN INTEREST IN BECOMING MARKET MAKERS TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR RECOGNISED DEALER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

"WHILST THERE IS NO DEADLINE FOR APPOINTMENT AS RECOGNISED DEALER THOSE INSTITUTIONS WHICH WOULD LIKE TO BE MARKET MAKERS SHOULD LODGE THEIR APPLICATIONS AT AN EARLY DATE AS WE WILL BE SELECTING MARKET MAKERS FROM THE INITIAL BATCH OF RECOGNISED DEALERS TO BE APPOINTED," HE SAID.

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ARRANGEMENT FOR TRANSFER OF SHIPS' FLAGS

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SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO ASSIST HONG KONG OWNERS AND MANAGERS OF PANAMANIAN-FLAG SHIPS WISHING TO TRANSFER TO HONG KONG REGISTRY CONSEQUENT UPON THE FORTHCOMING CLOSURE OF UNITED STATES PORTS TO PANAMANIAN-FLAG SHIPS, A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MARINE DEPARTMENT SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

"THESE ARRANGEMENTS ARE IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF ALL INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN EXTENDED TO HONG KONG AND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE PRINCIPLES AGREED FOR THE AUTONOMOUS HONG KONG REGISTER OF SHIPPING WHICH WILL ENTER INTO FORCE IN LATE 1990.

"CARE HAS BEEN TAKEN IN MAKING THESE ARRANGEMENTS TO ENSURE THAT STANDARDS OF SAFETY ARE NOT COMPROMISED AND TO PROVIDE A FACILITY FOR HONG KONG SEAFARERS AT PRESENT SERVING ON PANAMANIAN-FLAG SHIPS TO CONTINUE IN EMPLOYMENT ON THOSE SHIPS UNDER HONG KONG REGISTRY," THE SPOKESMAN ADDED.

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'WE ARE HONG KONG' YOUTH RALLY ON SATURDAY

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THREE THOUSAND YOUNG PEOPLE WILL DEMONSTRATE THEIR COMMITMENT TOWARDS BUILDING A BETTER HONG KONG BY TAKING PART IN A "WE ARE HONG KONG" YOUTH RALLY AT THE HONG KONG STADIUM ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 16) AFTERNOON.

THE RALLY IS THE HIGHLIGHT OF THE CURRENT MONTH-LONG YOUTH FESTIVAL AND IS EXPECTED TO ATTRACT AN AUDIENCE OF ABOUT 30,000 OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE.

THE GOVERNOR, SIR DAVID WILSON, AND LADY WILSON WILL ATTEND THE RALLY AS GUESTS OF HONOUR. SIR DAVID WILL ADDRESS THE GATHERING, WHILE LADY WILSON WILL OFFICIATE AT A FLAG-HOISTING CEREMONY.

TO BUILD UP THE ATMOSPHERE OF THE RALLY, THERE WILL BE A DEMONSTRATION OF PARACHUTE JUMPING, FORMATION OF THE YOUTH FESTIVAL LOGO BY 500 STUDENTS AND A PARADE BY YOUNG PEOPLE FROM 19 DISTRICTS AND 20 YOUTH AND UNIFORMED GROUPS.

A "SHOWCASE OF TALENTS" WILL BE PRESENTED BY YOUNG PEOPLE FROM 19 DISTRICTS AND 15 YOUTH GROUPS.

THE PROGRAMME WILL ALSO INCLUDE TELEMATCHES ON THE THEME OF HONG KONG'S CONSTRUCTION AND CLOTHING INDUSTRIES AND TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT, SINGING AND DANCES.

THE TWO-HOUR RALLY, WHICH BEGINS AT 2.45 PM, WILL BE BROADCAST
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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE ABLE TO WATCH THE PROGRAMME ON LARGE SCREENS SPECIALLY SET UP IN THE SHA TIN NEW CITY PLAZA, THE CHINA HONG KONG CITY IN TSIM SHA TSUI AND IN TUEN MUN TOWN PLAZA.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO COVER THE "WE ARE HONG KONG" YOUTH RALLY WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.45 PM ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 16) AT THE HONG KONG STADIUM. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE REQUESTED TO MEET CNTA STAFF OUTSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE STADIUM IN EASTERN HOSPITAL ROAD BEFORE 2.15 PM.

EASTERN HOSPITAL ROAD WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC THAT DAY. MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES USING THEIR OWN TRANSPORT TO THE STADIUM ARE ADVISED TO OBTAIN PARKING LABELS BEFOREHAND FROM THE CNTA NEWS AND PUBLICITY DIVISION. PLEASE CONTACT MR TONY AU-YEUNG, SENIOR INFORMATION OFFICER, ON TEL. 5-8351464 FOR DETAILS.

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CARNIVAL IN SUPPORT OF YOUTH FESTIVAL AT VICTORIA PARK

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THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB (CYC) OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WILL HOLD A CULTURAL ACTIVITIES CARNIVAL IN SUPPORT OF THE TERRITORY-WIDE YOUTH FESTIVAL ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 17) AT VICTORIA PARK, CAUSEWAY BAY.

A FULL-DAY PROGRAMME WILL BE ORGANISED TO ENABLE CYC MEMBERS TO DISPLAY THEIR SKILLS AND TALENTS IN VARIOUS CULTURAL ACTIVITIES.

STUDENTS FROM 60 SECONDARY SCHOOLS WILL PUT UP EXHIBITION STALLS ON A VARIETY OF ART AND CRAFT ARTICLES.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A BAND MARCH, A LION DANCE, CHINESE DANCES, SINGING, AND MARTIAL ART DEMONSTRATIONS BY CYC MEMBERS.

OFFICIATING AT THE OPENING OF THE CARNIVAL AT 11 AM WILL BE OMELCO MEMBER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, MRS ROSANNA TAM; CHAIRMAN OF THE CENTRAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE ON YOUTH FESTIVAL, MR ERIC LI; AND THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR Y.T. LI.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CYC CULTURAL ACTIVITIES CARNIVAL AT THE FOOTBALL PITCH OF VICTORIA PARK, CAUSEWAY BAY, AT 11 AM ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 17).

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COMBINED VACCINE AGAINST MEASLES, MUMPS, RUBELLA

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THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY) THE INTRODUCTION OF A COMBINED VACCINE FOR CHILDREN AGAINST MEASLES, MUMPS, AND RUBELLA.

STARTING FROM JANUARY 1, ALL HONG KONG-BORN CHILDREN WHO BECOME ONE YEAR OF AGE ON OR AFTER THAT DATE WILL BE GIVEN FREE INOCULATION OF THE COMBINED MEASLES, MUMPS, AND RUBELLA (MMR) VACCINE.

THIS VACCINE WILL REPLACE THE EXISTING MEASLES VACCINE THAT THE GOVERNMENT PROVIDES FOR CHILDREN.

A DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED THAT WITH A SINGLE SHOT OF THE NEW MMR VACCINE, CHILDREN CAN NOW BE PROTECTED AGAINST THE THREE DISEASES - MEASLES, MUMPS AND RUBELLA.

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HE SAID THE NEW PROGRAMME WILL IMPROVE AND WIDEN THE SCOPE OF IMMUNISATION FOR CHILDREN.

"AT PRESENT, ONE-YEAR-OLD CHILDREN ARE ONLY INOCULATED AGAINST MEASLES, AND GIRLS ATTENDING PRIMARY 6 CLASS ARE VACCINATED AGAINST RUBELLA," THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

TOGETHER WITH HEPATITIS B VACCINATION WHICH WAS INTRODUCED LAST YEAR TO ALL NEWBORNS, THE IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME FOR INFANTS AND CHILDREN WILL INCLUDE VACCINATION AGAINST NINE COMMUNICABLE DISEASES -- TUBERCULOSIS, POLIOMYELITIS, DIPHTHERIA, TETANUS, WHOOPING COUGH, MEASLES, HEPATITIS B, MUMPS AND RUBELLA.

TO ASSIST MOTHERS WHO WISH TO MAKE ENQUIRIES REGARDING THE MMR VACCINATION PROGRAMME AT THE MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CENTRES, A SPECIAL HOTLINE WILL BE SET UP BY THE FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

THE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 5-8387428 AND THE ENQUIRY SERVICE STARTS TODAY FROM 9 AM - 1 PM AND FROM 2 PM - 5 PM DAILY FROM MONDAYS TO FRIDAYS, AND FROM 9 AM - 1 PM ON SATURDAYS.

THE MMR VACCINATION PROGRAMME WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IMMUNISATION WHICH ADVISES THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH ON THE IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME.

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YOUTH CENTRES MUST STRENGTHEN THEIR SERVICES

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CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRES MUST STRENGTHEN THEIR COUNSELLING AND TRAINING SERVICES TO PREPARE YOUNG PEOPLE FOR FUTURE CHALLENGES, THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE, MRS ELIZABETH WONG, SAID TODAY (THURSDAY).

SHE WAS SPEAKING AT THE OPEN DAY AND OFFICIAL OPENING OF SHEK LEI CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRE OPERATED BY THE HONG KONG PLAYGROUND ASSOCIATION.

MRS WONG SAID YOUNG PEOPLE TODAY FACED AN URGENT NEED TO RE-EXAMINE THEIR ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARDS THE SOCIETY.

"IN VIEW OF THIS, CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRES MUST HELP YOUNG PEOPLE BUILD A GOOD FOUNDATION BY HELPING TO PROMOTE THEIR SENSE OF SOCIAL CONSCIOUSNESS, ANALYTICAL POWER AND INDEPENDENT THINKING," SHE SAID.

MRS WONG ADDED THAT CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTRES WERE SET UP TO PROVIDE SERVICES THROUGH A WIDE VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED BETWEEN SIX AND 24.

SHE COMMENDED THE HONG KONG PLAYGROUND ASSOCIATION FOR PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE YOUTH SERVICE OVER THE PAST 50 YEARS.

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SPECIAL STAMP ISSUE ON YEAR OF THE HORSE

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A SET OF SPECIAL STAMPS ON THE YEAR OF THE HORSE WILL BE ISSUED ON JANUARY 23. THE POSTMASTER GENERAL, MR DOMINIC WONG, ANNOUNCED TODAY (THURSDAY).

THIS IS THE FOURTH IN THE CURRENT SERIES OF LUNAR NEW YEAR SPECIAL STAMP ISSUES WHICH COMMENCED WITH THE YEAR OF THE RABBIT IN 1987.

THERE WILL BE FOUR DENOMINATIONS - 60 CENT, \$1.40, \$1.80 AND \$5. THE DESIGN DEPICTS IN AN EMBROIDERY STYLE VARIOUS POSTURES OF THE HORSE.

A SOUVENIR SHEET CONTAINING A SET OF FOUR STAMPS AT \$8.80 WILL ALSO BE ISSUED.

IN ADDITION, A STAMP FOLDER CONTAINING TWO SE-TENANT SHEETLETS WILL BE SOLD AT \$14.50. EACH SHEETLET CONSISTS OF THREE \$1.80 STAMPS IN THE UPPER ROW AND THREE 60 CENT STAMPS IN THE LOWER ROW.

THE STAMPS WERE DESIGNED BY MR KAN TAI-KEUNG AND WERE PRINTED BY JOH ENSCHEDE EN ZONEN OF HOLLAND.

FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE ANNOUNCED CLOSER TO THE DATE OF ISSUE.

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EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR FARMERS NOTED

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MEMBERS OF THE LIVESTOCK WASTE DISPOSAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE NOTED AT THE COMMITTEE'S MEETING TODAY (THURSDAY) THAT LIVESTOCK FARMERS IN PHASE I STAGE II CONTROL AREAS UNDER THE LIVESTOCK WASTE CONTROL SCHEME WILL BE GIVEN MORE TIME TO APPLY FOR EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCES AND CAPITAL GRANTS AND LOANS.

THE ORIGINAL DEADLINE OF DECEMBER 31 THIS YEAR WILL BE EXTENDED TO A DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

"IN SETTING THE NEW DEADLINE, SUFFICIENT TIME WILL BE GIVEN TO LIVESTOCK FARMERS TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO CEASE OR CONTINUE OPERATION.

"THERE WILL ALSO BE A REASONABLE PERIOD OF NOTICE PRIOR TO ENFORCEMENT ACTION IN THE CONTROL AREAS," A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PLANNING, ENVIRONMENT AND LANDS BRANCH SAID.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ALSO NOTED THAT CONTROL AREA 14, THAT IS, TUEN MUN ENVIRONS, UNDER PHASE I STAGE III OF THE CONTROL SCHEME, WILL COMMENCE ON JANUARY 1 NEXT YEAR AS SCHEDULED IN ORDER TO ALLOW APPLICATIONS FOR EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCES BY SOME FARMERS IN THE AREA WHO WISH TO CEASE OPERATION.

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"THOSE WHO WISH TO CONTINUE OPERATION IN CONTROL AREA 14 MAY SEEK TECHNICAL ADVICE FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT AND APPLY FOR CAPITAL GRANTS AND LOANS TO INSTALL NECESSARY TREATMENT FACILITIES," AN EPD REPRESENTATIVE SAID AT THE MEETING.

"SIMILAR TO THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR PHASE I STAGE II CONTROL AREAS, NO ENFORCEMENT ACTION WILL BE TAKEN IN CONTROL AREA 14 BEFORE THE OUTCOME OF THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS HAS BEEN MADE KNOWN AND REVIEWED AND A REASONABLE PERIOD OF NOTICE IS GIVEN TO THE AFFECTED FARMERS UNLESS THE FARMERS HAVE COLLECTED THE EX-GRATIA ALLOWANCES AND RESUMED BUSINESS WITHOUT COMPLIANCE OF THE CONTROL REGULATIONS," THE EPD REPRESENTATIVE SAID.

THE MEETING LEARNED THAT OF THE NINE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS, THREE REMAIN OUTSTANDING. MEMBERS ALSO DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH PROGRESS OF THESE PROJECTS AND THE VARIOUS PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED.

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OPERATORS REMINDED TO OBSERVE TRADE
DESCRIPTIONS ORDINANCE PROVISIONS

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OPERATORS OF GOLD AND JEWELLERY SHOPS HAVE BEEN REMINDED TO OBSERVE PROVISIONS UNDER THE TRADE DESCRIPTIONS ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE SALE OF GOLD AND GOLD ALLOY ITEMS.

THIS FOLLOWED A COURT CASE TODAY (THURSDAY) IN WHICH THE OPERATORS OF TWO GOLD AND JEWELLERY SHOPS IN TO KWA WAN WERE EACH FINED \$750 AT THE SAN PO KONG MAGISTRACY FOR NOT COMPILING WITH THE PROVISIONS.

THE TWO DEFENDANTS WERE PROSECUTED UNDER THE TRADE DESCRIPTIONS (MARKING) (GOLD AND GOLD ALLOY) ORDER 1984, WHICH CAME INTO FORCE ON JANUARY 1, 1985.

THEY BOTH PLEADED GUILTY TO CHARGES OF FAILING TO DISPLAY IN THEIR SHOPS A NOTICE INDICATING THAT EVERY ARTICLE MADE OF GOLD OR GOLD ALLOY, THAT WAS SUPPLIED OR OFFERED FOR SUPPLY IN THE COURSE OF TRADE, SHOULD BEAR A MARK INDICATING THE FINENESS OF THE GOLD CONTENT.

THE NOTICE SHOULD ALSO SPECIFY THAT A RECEIPT SHOULD BE ISSUED BY THE SUPPLIER IN RESPECT OF EVERY ARTICLE SUPPLIED.

THE MANNER AND FORM OF THE NOTICE ARE STATED IN THE THIRD SCHEDULE OF THE ORDER.

THE COURT HEARD THAT OFFICERS OF THE TRADING STANDARDS INVESTIGATION BUREAU OF THE CUSTOMS AND EXCISE DEPARTMENT VISITED THE DEFENDANTS' SHOPS DURING A TERRITORY-WIDE INSPECTION ON AUGUST 30 THIS YEAR.

/THE OFFICERS

THE OFFICERS FOUND THAT THE OPERATORS OF THE TWO SHOPS HAD NOT DISPLAYED THE REQUIRED NOTICE IN THEIR SHOP PREMISES.

A CHIEF TRADE CONTROLS OFFICER OF THE TRADING STANDARDS INVESTIGATION BUREAU, MR LEUNG YUK-TONG, SAID THAT APART FROM THESE TWO CASES, 12 OTHERS INVOLVING THE CONTRAVENTION OF TRADE DESCRIPTIONS (MARKING) (GOLD AND GOLD ALLOY) ORDER 1984, WHICH WERE ALSO DISCOVERED DURING THE OPERATION IN AUGUST THIS YEAR, WOULD BE BROUGHT TO COURT SHORTLY.

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DB TO DISCUSS CONTROL ON SIGNBOARDS
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THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS TIGHTENING UP CONTROL ON SIGNBOARDS AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

A MEMBER HAS PROPOSED THAT THE EXTERNAL WALLS OF BUILDINGS SHOULD BE DECLARED COMMON PARTS AND SHOULD NOT BE EXCLUSIVELY USED BY FLAT OWNERS.

HE HAS ALSO PROPOSED THAT OWNERS CORPORATIONS BE GIVEN THE POWER TO DECIDE WHETHER A SIGNBOARD CAN BE ERECTED ON THEIR BUILDINGS.

THE MEETING WILL ALSO DISCUSS A REPORT BY A WORKING GROUP ON HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY AND THE PROPOSED COLOUR SCHEME FOR A FOOTBRIDGE AT THE JUNCTION OF CHATHAM ROAD SOUTH AND GRANVILLE ROAD.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE YAU TSIM DISTRICT BOARD MEETING WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF YAU TSIM DISTRICT OFFICE, SECOND FLOOR, 490 NATHAN ROAD.

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DB COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS REPORT ON LANGUAGE IMPROVEMENT

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THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD WILL DISCUSS THE REPORT OF THE REVIEW OF LANGUAGE IMPROVEMENT MEASURES AT ITS MEETING TOMORROW (FRIDAY).

MEMBERS WILL ALSO STUDY A REPORT BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE MEETING OF THE KWUN TONG DISTRICT BOARD'S SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE WHICH WILL BEGIN AT 2.30 PM TOMORROW (FRIDAY) IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, 6 TUNG YAN STREET.

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ROAD SAFETY BUS PARADE IN EASTERN

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MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD AND SCHOOL ROAD SAFETY PATROLS WILL TOUR THE DISTRICT IN A DECORATED DOUBLE-DECKER BUS ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 17), CALLING ON RESIDENTS TO COMPLY WITH TRAFFIC REGULATIONS.

THEY WILL SET OFF AT 2.15 PM FROM THE CHAI WAN COMMUNITY CENTRE, HEADING FOR THE KAM WA STREET TRAM TERMINUS IN SHAU KEI WAN VIA THE CHAI WAN MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY STATION.

FROM THE TERMINUS, THEY WILL MOVE ON TO THE SAI WAN HO MASS TRANSIT RAILWAY STATION, HONG ON STREET, KING'S ROAD AND NORTH POINT FERRY PIER. DISTRIBUTING PUBLICITY MATERIALS AT VARIOUS STOPS ON THE WAY.

THE PARADE, LASTING ABOUT TWO AND A HALF HOURS, WILL END AT LAI TAK TSUEN IN CAUSEWAY BAY.

THE PARADE FORMS PART OF THE ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN JOINTLY ORGANISED BY THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD AND THE DISTRICT OFFICE.

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OFFICIATING AT A STARTING CEREMONY WILL BE THE ACTING EASTERN DISTRICT OFFICER, MISS CHANG KING-YIU; A MEMBER OF THE TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, MR STEPHEN CHENG WUI-YAU; AND CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD'S TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE, MR YUE HUI-KWONG.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE EASTERN DISTRICT BOARD SAFETY BUS PARADE ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 17). THE STARTING CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 2 PM AT THE CHAI WAN COMMUNITY CENTRE, 230 CHAI WAN ROAD.

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VIDEO SHOWS TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION

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VIDEO PROGRAMMES ON PUBLIC AND CURRENT AFFAIRS WILL BE USED TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION AT A CARNIVAL AT THE MAPLE STREET PLAYGROUND IN SHAM SHUI PO ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 17).

THE CARNIVAL FORMS PART OF THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT FESTIVAL WHICH BEGAN LAST WEEK AND WILL CONTINUE UNTIL JANUARY 8.

ORGANISED BY THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIL EDUCATION AND SPONSORED BY THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD, THE CARNIVAL AIMS AT MAKING RESIDENTS MORE AWARE OF THEIR CIVIC RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS, AND AT PROMOTING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN DISTRICT AFFAIRS.

THE VIDEO SHOWS WILL COVER THE CIVIL SERVICE, PUBLIC FINANCE, THE THREE-TIER CONSULTATION SYSTEM, THE LOCAL POLITICAL SYSTEM, PUBLIC OPINION AND CIVIC EDUCATION.

APART FROM THE VIDEO SHOWS, THE CARNIVAL WILL FEATURE GAMES STALLS TO BE SET UP BY LOCAL SCHOOLS, VOLUNTARY AGENCIES, THE JUNIOR POLICE CALL AND THE COMMUNITY YOUTH CLUB. THERE WILL ALSO BE PERFORMANCES BY THE SHAM SHUI PO ARTS ASSOCIATION YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S CHOIRS, AS WELL AS BY POPULAR SINGERS.

A COLOURING COMPETITION FOR LOCAL CHILDREN WILL BE HELD AT THE CARNIVAL WITH THE AIM OF IMPRESSING UPON THE PARTICIPANTS THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING HONEST AND RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS.

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OFFICIATING GUESTS AT THE CARNIVAL WILL INCLUDE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT BOARD CHAIRMAN, MR TAI TUNG-NGOK; SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICER, MR ALAN FUNG; AND A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF CIVIC EDUCATION, MR CHAN WING-TAI.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES ARE INVITED TO COVER THE SHAM SHUI PO CIVIC EDUCATION CARNIVAL TO BE HELD FROM 3 PM TO 6 PM ON SUNDAY (DECEMBER 17) AT THE MAPLE STREET PLAYGROUND. MR CHAN WILL DELIVER A SPEECH AT A CEREMONY TO BE HELD AT 4 PM.

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NIGHT CLOSURE OF QUEENSWAY

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FROM 10 PM ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 16) TO 6 AM THE NEXT DAY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOTBRIDGE OUTSIDE BOND CENTRE IN QUEENSWAY.

THE FOLLOWING ROADS WILL BE CLOSED TO TRAFFIC:

- * THE SLIP ROAD LEADING FROM QUEENSWAY WESTBOUND TO COTTON TREE DRIVE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 10 PM ON SATURDAY TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY; AND
- * QUEENSWAY BETWEEN TAMAR STREET AND MURRAY ROAD WILL BE CLOSED FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM ON SUNDAY.

TAMAR STREET BETWEEN DRAKE STREET AND QUEENSWAY WILL BE RE-ROUTED FROM TWO-WAY TO ONE-WAY SOUTHBOUND FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM ON SUNDAY.

MOTORISTS ARE URGED TO WATCH OUT FOR THE TRAFFIC DIVERSIONS BECAUSE OF ROAD CLOSURES AND TRAFFIC RE-ROUTEING. APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC AIDS WILL BE PROVIDED TO GUIDE THEM.

IN ADDITION, CMB ROUTES 23, 23B AND 40 TRAVELLING ON QUEENSWAY WESTBOUND WILL BE DIVERTED FROM 10 PM ON SATURDAY TO 10 AM THE NEXT DAY.

ALSO, CMB ROUTES 2 AND 6, CROSS HARBOUR ROUTES 101, 111, 121 AND GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES 31 WILL BE DIVERTED FROM 1 AM TO 6 AM ON SUNDAY.

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SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUTH FESTIVAL

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN HAPPY VALLEY ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 16) AFTERNOON FOR HOLDING THE HONG KONG YOUTH FESTIVAL AT HONG KONG STADIUM.

THE SPECIAL TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL COME INTO EFFECT AT NOON AND WILL BE THE SAME AS THOSE IMPLEMENTED WHEN A FOOTBALL MATCH IS HELD AT HONG KONG STADIUM.

APPROPRIATE TRAFFIC AIDS WILL BE PROVIDED TO GUIDE MOTORISTS.

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SPEED LIMIT IN WONG TAI SIN

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT FROM 10 AM ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 16), THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF ROADS IN WONG TAI SIN WILL BE SUBJECT TO A SPEED LIMIT OF 70 KILOMETRES PER HOUR:

- * THE EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY OF LUNG CHEUNG ROAD FROM A POINT ABOUT 25 METRES EAST OF ITS JUNCTION WITH THE SLIP ROAD LEADING TO LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD TO A POINT ABOUT 500 METRES EAST OF THE SAME JUNCTION; AND
- * THE SECTION OF THE SLIP ROAD LEADING FROM LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD TO LUNG CHEUNG ROAD EASTBOUND FROM A POINT ABOUT 50 METRES SOUTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH LION ROCK TUNNEL ROAD TO ITS JUNCTION WITH LUNG CHEUNG ROAD EASTBOUND.

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CLOSURE OF VEHICULAR UNDERPASS IN HUNG HOM

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THE TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES THAT THE WINSLOW STREET VEHICULAR UNDERPASS IN HUNG HOM WILL BE CLOSED BETWEEN 1 AM AND 5 AM ON SATURDAY (DECEMBER 16) TO FACILITATE CLEANSING OF THE UNDERPASS.

DURING THE CLOSURE, VEHICLES ON WINSLOW STREET HEADING FOR TO KWA WAN ARE ADVISED TO TRAVEL VIA WINSLOW STREET, CHATHAM ROAD NORTH, COOKE STREET, GILLIES AVENUE AND WUHU STREET.

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